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Commissioner for Patents  
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This is in response to the non-final Official Action in this case mailed November 1, 2005. Applicant is filing this Amendment within the three month shortened statutory period or before February 1, 2006. Hence, Applicant believes no extension of time fee is required. However, Applicant conditionally petitions for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any required fee, or for any deficiency in the enclosed fee.

The Applicant appreciates the Examiner's thorough examination of the subject application and request reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application in view of the following:

- Amendments to the Specification, beginning on Page 2 of this paper;
- Amendments to the Claims, beginning on Page 5 of this paper; and
- Remarks, beginning on Page 8 of this paper.